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REF: A. SECSTATE 162102 1B. SECSTATE 162192

Classified By: DCM Daniel A. Russell for reasons 1.4 (b,d)

- 11. (C) On December 3, DCM demarched MFA North America Department Director Igor Neverov on Iranian attempts to procure equipment with nuclear weapons applications through a Russian firm, underscoring that the specialized cameras are possibly controlled by the Nuclear Suppliers Group (ref A). DCM urged the GOR to investigate and, as necessary, stop the potential transfer. Neverov welcomed the specificity of our information and assured us that the GOR would look into the matter immediately.
- 12. (C) DCM also delivered points on the continued detention of a Russian citizen at the U.S. Naval Base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (ref B). DCM informed Neverov that the U.S. anticipated another administrative review board (ARB) on this individual next year, and encouraged Russia to submit any information for the ARB to consider by the end of February, noting that any information submitted after February 29 would still be considered. Neverov was unaware of this case and said he would pass the information to the competent authorities immediately.

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